

**Decision Record and Finding of No Significant Impact  
Telford Site Improvements, OR135-04-EA-06**

**DECISION**

It is my decision to implement Alternative 1 (Proposed Action) for recreational, wildlife, and range improvements in the Telford area. The recreational improvements include:

- Developing a hardened stream crossing.
- Constructing a hardened semi-circular parking loop and turnaround measuring 30-feet wide by 150 feet in length, prior to stream crossing, along the north side of the road.
- Installing buck and pole fence along the perimeter of the parking/turnaround area.
- Installing signs and picnic tables.

Future recreation improvements may include two additional parking area developments for up to five vehicles each (see map for locations) and outhouse installation.

Wildlife improvements will include installing wildlife enhancement projects such as water guzzlers, feeders, protective fence enclosures of key habitat, and/or nesting structures for bats and birds.

Range improvements include the installation of two cattle guards and a fence on the south side of the riparian area (approximately 1 mile). Cattle guards will be placed adjacent to the county road and in the proximity of the private lands north east of the project area. The fence will be a temporary electric type that could be removed at times when livestock are not present in the pasture containing the proposed parking area. Contingent on Interdisciplinary Team review, a more permanent fence could be installed. The spring development south of the project site will be maintained and a new trough added.

All construction and sign installation at this site will meet BLM safety standards.

*Rationale:* The proposed improvements are needed to protect riparian areas, provide better public access, and improve wildlife habitat. Important resource values will be adequately protected during implementation of the projects. No adverse impacts are identified for the grazing allotment and other potential uses of the area.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)**

Considering the limited extent and impacts of the proposed projects, along with the project design features, as described in the attached environmental assessment to protect sensitive resources, it is my determination that the Proposed Action (Alternative 1) does not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment (a finding of no significant impact). Therefore, this action does not require preparation of an environmental impact statement.

/s/ Kevin R. Devitt

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